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AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Minoru ASAKAWA et al

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For : IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

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Examiner : King Y Poon

**AMENDMENT**Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 8, 2005,  
 the term for response to which expires on October 8, 2005.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this  
 paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are set forth in the listing of  
 claims which begins on page 5 of this paper. Claims 1, 2, 5,  
 7-10, 12-14 and 18-21 are amended; claims 3 and 4 are canceled;  
 and claims 6, 11 and 15-17 are maintained.

**Remarks** begin on page 18 of this paper.

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